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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Gouzel KARIMOVA et al.

Serial No.: 09/818,939

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For: BACTERIAL TWO-HYBRID  
SYSTEM FOR PROTEIN-  
PROTEIN INTERACTION  
SCREENING, NEW STRAINS  
FOR USE THEREIN, AND THEIR  
APPLICATIONS

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Sir:

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

In a restriction requirement dated August 25, 2003, the period for reply having been extended for one-month by a request for extension and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between the following groups:

Group I: Claims 50-56 and 94, drawn to a signal amplification system;

Group II: Claims 57-59, drawn to DNA library;

Group III: Claim 60-73 and 92, drawn to a method of selecting a molecule of interest and the molecule of interest;

Group IV: Claims 74-75, drawn to a kit for selecting a molecule of interest;

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